

Introduction to AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps Seniors: FY2023 AmeriCorps Seniors Native Nations and Indigenous Elders Senior Demonstration Program.

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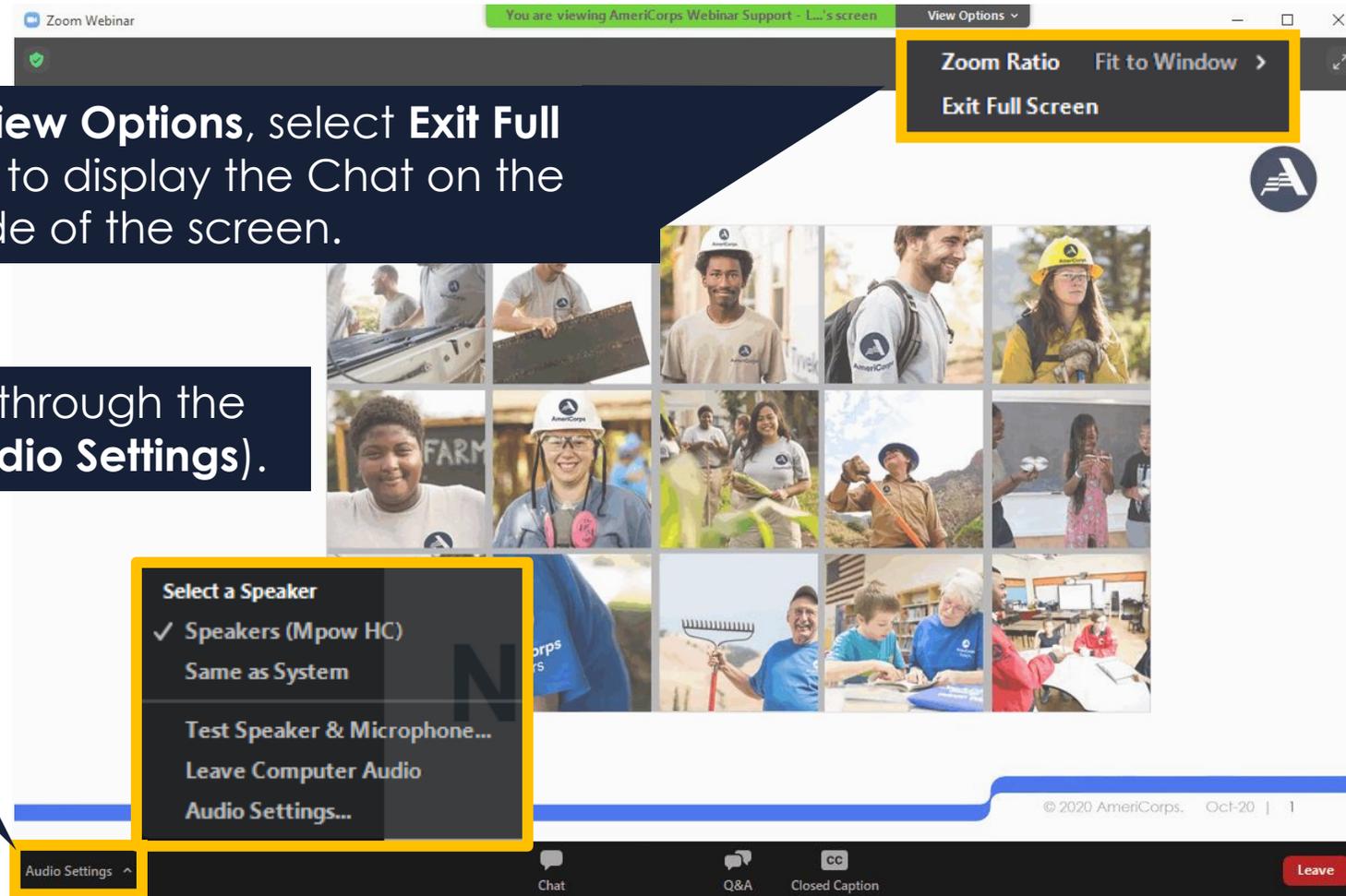


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Webinars	Dates	
<u>Introduction to AmeriCorps, AmeriCorps Seniors and Senior Demonstration Program</u>	February 7, 2023, 3:00 PM ET	February 28, 2023, 3:00 PM ET
<u>A Tour of the Notice of Funding Opportunity</u>	February 9, 2023, 3:00 PM ET	March 1, 2023, 3:00 PM ET
<u>Understanding Performance Measures</u>	February 16, 2023, 2:30 PM ET	
<u>AmeriCorps Seniors in Action</u>	February 14, 2023, 3:00 PM ET	March 7, 2023, 3:00 PM ET
<u>Question and Answer Session</u>	February 23, 2023, 3:00 PM ET	March 30, 2023, 3:00 PM ET
<u>Best Practices in Budget Development Q&A</u>	March 15, 2023, 2:30 PM ET	

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- **Introduction to AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps Seniors**
- Senior Demonstration Programs
 - Native Nations & Indigenous Elders Senior Demonstration Program
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MISSION

The mission of AmeriCorps is to improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic engagement through service and volunteering.





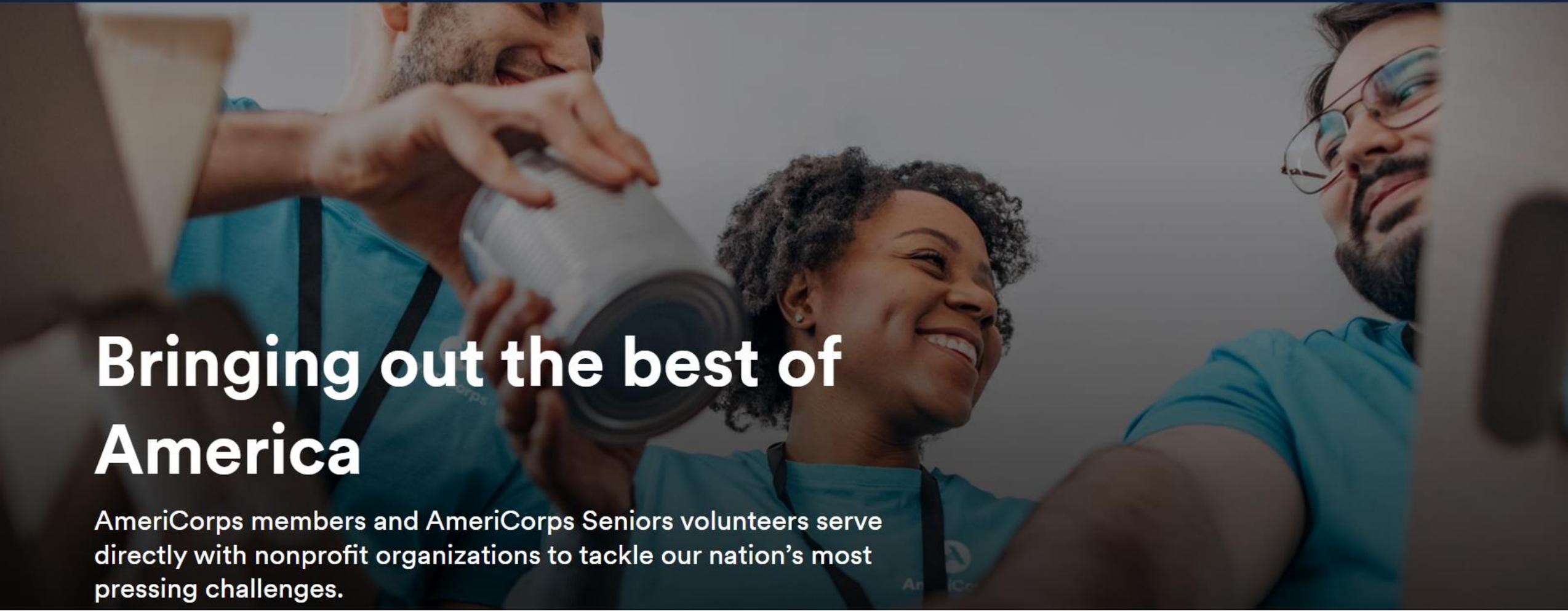
What is National Service?

National service is an opportunity to volunteer your time and talent to make a difference in people's lives and get things done for America. Through AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps Seniors, individuals of any age can serve our country and their community by putting their valuable skills to use.



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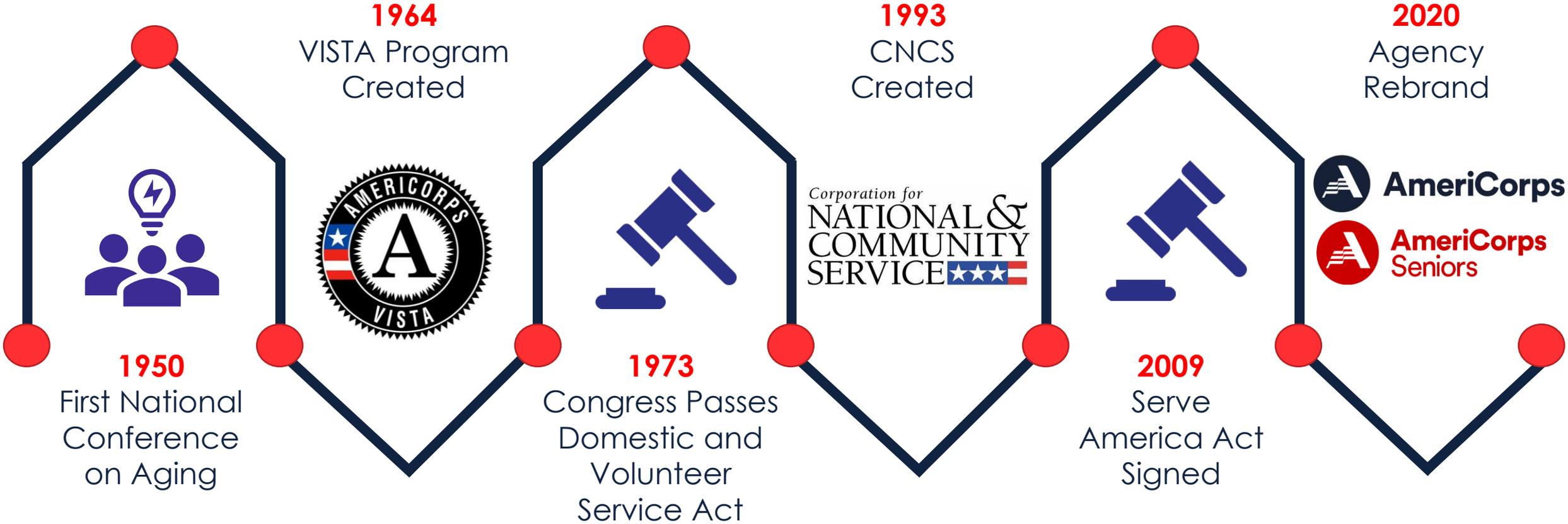


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AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers serve directly with nonprofit organizations to tackle our nation's most pressing challenges.

<https://www.americorps.gov/>

Introduction to AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps Seniors



What is AmeriCorps Seniors?

**Nation's largest
group of older
American
volunteers**

**One of the
oldest programs
in the National
Service family**

**A set of three
programs that
empower older
Americans (55+)
to serve their
communities**

AmeriCorps Seniors Programs



Foster Grandparent Program (FGP)



Senior Companion Program (SCP)



RSVP Program

The Foster Grandparent Program (FGP)

- Role models and mentors to children with exceptional needs
- Help children learn to read and provide one-on-one tutoring
- Mentor troubled teenagers and young mothers
- Care for premature infants or children with disabilities
- Help children who have been abused or neglected
- Eligible volunteers may receive a small stipend to defray the costs of serving



The Senior Companion Program (SCP)

- Provide assistance and friendship to adults who have difficulty with daily living tasks, such as shopping or paying bills
- Help them remain independent in their homes instead of more costly institutional care
- Give other caregivers much needed respite
- Eligible volunteers may receive a small stipend to defray the costs of serving



RSVP Program



- **Established in 1971**
- **Engages people 55 and older in diverse volunteer activities**
- **Volunteers:**
 - **Tutor children**
 - **Renovate homes**
 - **Assist victims of natural disasters**
 - **Provide independent living services**
 - **Recruit and manage other volunteers**
 - **And much, much more**

2019 Longitudinal Study



AmeriCorps Seniors
Volunteers **84%**
reported improved or
stable health

AmeriCorps Seniors
Volunteers **88%**
reported a decrease
in feelings of isolation

AmeriCorps Seniors
Volunteers **78%**
reported they felt less
depressed

**AmeriCorps Seniors
Works!**

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Senior Demonstration Program (SDP)



- Expand program reach
 - Invest in projects focused on Indigenous and Native communities, advancing opportunities for older adults to make an impact, through their time and experience
 - Allow funding of innovative programming
 - Demonstrate the power of senior volunteers to make significant contributions within their communities



How SDP Works



- AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers are individuals who are aged 55+
- AmeriCorps Seniors SDP assesses community needs and leverages AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers to meet those needs
- AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers serve at SDP volunteer stations in the geographic service area, including the sponsor itself





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Rules and Regulations

- The **Code of Federal Regulations** is the source of the requirements that govern AmeriCorps Seniors grants.
- Viewable at [eCFR.gov](https://www.ecfr.gov)
- Funding and Grant Management Regulations: **2 CFR 200 (Uniform Guidance)**



Code of Federal Regulations

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PART 200 - UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

Authority: 31 U.S.C. 503

Source: 78 FR 78608, Dec. 26, 2013, unless otherwise noted.

Subpart A - Acronyms and Definitions

ACRONYMS



Key Regulations

Service Activity Restrictions:

- Prohibition on replacing paid staff
- No political activity on grant time
- No religious activity

National Service Criminal History Checks:

- Specific set of checks for grant-paid staff required by law
- Be sure to budget for them
- Refer to <https://americorps.gov/grantees-sponsors/history-check>

Native Nations & Indigenous Elders Senior Demonstration Program



- AmeriCorps Seniors is accepting applications from eligible entities
- Applications are due by Wednesday, April 5, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.
- Supports projects that focus on underserved Indigenous and Native Communities & engage adults ages 55 and older to address one or more of the Native Nations & Indigenous Elders SDP priorities.

Resources



Resource Name	Resource Purpose
<u>Native Nations & Indigenous Elders SDP Notice</u>	Establishes funding opportunity, application requirements, evaluation criteria, funding priorities, and more. Start here!
<u>Grant Application Instructions</u>	Provides step-by-step instructions for navigating eGrants, AmeriCorps' electronic grants management system.
<u>Appendix B: National Performance Measures</u>	Summarizes performance measure requirements, provides a complete list of performance measures, and specifies allowable output/outcome pairings.
<u>Appendix C: Terms and Definitions</u>	Explains and defines the terminology that is relevant to this grant opportunity.
<u>Appendix F: Cost Per Volunteer Calculator</u>	Outlines the process for determining the cost per volunteer and helps track the overall cost effectiveness of an AmeriCorps Seniors volunteer program.
<u>Technical Assistance Calls and Recordings</u>	Provides a list of upcoming technical assistance webinars and links to the recordings of previous webinars.
<u>Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)</u>	Updated periodically, provides more information on specific questions regarding the Notice and application instructions.

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Q&A

American Rescue Plan Senior Demonstration Program (SDP)



For questions please email:
AmeriCorpsSeniors@cns.gov

For more information on AmeriCorps funding opportunities and to access resources visit:

www.Americorps.gov/partner/funding-opportunities

